

REMARKS

Applicant will address each of the Examiner's rejections in the order in which they appear in the Final Rejection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §102

In the Final Rejection, the Examiner rejects Claims 1-3 and 10-12 under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Hirai et al. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

While this rejection is traversed, in order to advance the prosecution of this application, Applicant has amended the independent claims to recite that, in the claimed method and device, the voltages of picture signals supplied in adjacent subframe periods are different from each other throughout displaying the images. This is shown, for example, on pages 9-10 and Fig. 1 of the present application. Hence, in the claimed invention, the same voltages of picture signals are not applied in adjacent subframes, throughout displaying images.

In contrast, in many of the adjacent subframes in Hirai, the same voltages are applied. See e.g. "Column waveform" in Figs. 1 and 2 in Hirai. Therefore, Hirai does not disclose or suggest the claimed invention.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC §103

The Examiner also rejects Claims 4/1, 4/2, 4/3, 5/1-5/3, 6/1-6/3, 7/1-7/3, 8/1-8/3, 9/1-9/3, 13/10-13/12, 14/10-14/12, 15/10-15/12, 16/10-16/12, 17/10-17/12 and 18/10-

18/12 under 35 USC §103 as being unpatentable over Hirai et al in view of Katakura et al. This rejection is also respectfully traversed.

For at least the reasons discussed above for the independent claims, these dependent claims are also not disclosed or suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, it is requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance, and should be allowed.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1039 for any fee due for this Amendment.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 22, 2004



Mark J. Murphy
Registration No. 34,225

COOK, ALEX, McFARRON, MANZO,
CUMMINGS & MEHLER, LTD.
200 West Adams Street
Suite 2850
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 236-8500

Customer no. 000026568